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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Anticipated Classification of this application:  
Prior Application: 10/044,286Class:  
Examiner: Lisa A. KildaySubclass:  
Art Unit: 2829**MS PATENT APPLICATION**Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a: ☐ continuation application  
☒ divisional application

pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53, of pending prior application Serial No. 10/044,286, filed January 11, 2002, for the invention entitled "INTEGRATED CIRCUIT HAVING PHOTODIODE DEVICE AND ASSOCIATED FABRICATION PROCESS" by inventors Olivier Menut and Yvon Gris.

1. [X] Enclosed are a specification, formal drawings, and a copy of the executed declaration as originally filed. No new matter has been added.
2. [X] The filing fee is calculated below (see also paragraph 5 below):

Claims After Amendment	Number Filed		Number Extra	SMALL ENTITY		LARGE ENTITY	
				Rate		Rate	
Total Claims	8	- 20 =	0	x \$ 9 =	\$	x \$ 18 =	\$ 0
Independent	1	- 3 =	0	x \$ 43 =	\$	x \$ 86 =	\$ 0
Basic Fee				Small Entity = \$385.00 Large Entity = \$770.00			\$770.00
Multiple Dependent Claims				+ \$145 =	\$	+ \$290 =	\$
Assignment Recording Fee				+ \$40 =	\$	+ \$40 =	\$
TOTAL FEE DUE =					\$		\$770.00

3. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee in the amount of \$770.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-1556.
4. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1556.
5. [X] Cancel in this application original claims 1-5 and 14-18 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)

6. ☒ Related Application Data and Incorporation by Reference: Amend the specification by inserting before the first line:  
--This is a divisional of application Serial No. 10/044,286, filed January 11, 2002, now U.S. Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_. The entire disclosure of prior application Serial No. 10/044,286 is herein incorporated by reference.--
7. ☐ Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application.
8. ☒ Priority of patent application No. 01-00420 filed in France on January 12, 2001 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy of the priority application was filed in the prior application.
9. ☒ Assignee Information Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.76  
ASSIGNEE NAME: STMicroelectronics S.A.  
ASSIGNEE RESIDENCE: Montrouge, France
10. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to: STMicroelectronics S.A.
11. ☒ The power of attorney appears in the original papers in the prior application.
12. ☒ Form PTO-1449 is enclosed.
13. ☐ The statement of Small Entity Status filed in the prior application is still proper.
14. ☒ Direct all correspondence to Customer Number 23334.

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SIR:

I hereby certify that

☒ Request for Filing of Divisional Application  
☒ Specification and formal drawings  
☒ Declaration  
☒ Form PTO-1449  
☒ Return postcard

are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and are addressed to:

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